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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Yencho, Stephen A.; et. al.
Assignee: Cardica, Inc.
Title: Method and System for Attaching a Graft to a Blood Vessel
Serial No.: 09/924,556 Filing Date: August 9, 2001
Examiner: Jessica R. Baxter Group Art Unit: 3731
Docket No.: 032405-058

August 20, 2004

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

Dear Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application. The RCE fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) is authorized in an accompanying transmittal letter.

Please consider the Amendment After Final that was submitted on June 4, 2004 but not entered. A copy of that Amendment After Final has been included for the convenience of the Examiner. Please contact the undersigned attorney with any questions. Thank you.

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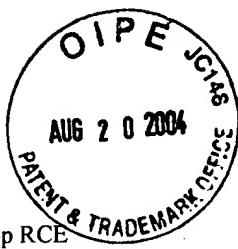
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Dear Sir:

Transmitted herewith are the following documents in the above-identified application:

- (1) This Transmittal Letter;
- (2) Request for Continued Examination;
- (3) Copy of Amendment After Final filed on June 4, 2004;
- (4) Check no. 10263 in the amount of \$595.00; and
- (5) Return postcard.

No additional fee is required.
 The fee has been calculated as shown below:

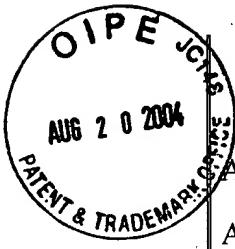
CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	Claims Remaining <u>After Amendment</u>	Highest No. <u>Previously Paid For</u>	Present <u>Extra</u>	Rate	Additional Fee
Basic RCE fee					\$385.00
Total Claims	40	Minus	40	= 0	x \$9 \$ 0.00
Independent Claims	8	Minus	8	= 0	x \$43 \$ 0.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Fee of _____ for the first filing of one or more multiple dependent claims per application					\$ 0.00
<u>Total additional fee for this Amendment:</u>					\$ 0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> A two-month extension of time is hereby requested. The fee under 37 CFR 1.17(a)(2) for a two-month extension is:					\$ 210.00
<input type="checkbox"/> Please charge our Deposit Account No. 502108 in the amount of					\$ 0.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Please charge any additional fees required and credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 502108.					
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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This communication is in response to the Office Action of March 23, 2004.

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